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Campaign Overview

- ✓ Statewide initiative resulting from Senate Bill 1440
- ✓ California Community Colleges & California State University joint transfer program
- ✓ Started in 2012
- ✓ Small grant funded marketing campaign from 2013-2015
- ✓ Directed and managed by the California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office







Overview of Funding



Irvine Valley College

- ✓ Total campaign investment of \$11 million for five years
- ✓\$3 million campaign budget of for year one
- ✓\$2 million campaign budgets of for up to four additional years
- ✓ Campaign funding anticipated to end June 30, 2020





Key Messages:

- ✓ Graduate from community college with an associate degree
- ✓ A guaranteed saved spot in the California State University (CSU) system
- ✓ Have a clearly defined transfer pathway to a CSU
 - ✓ discipline-specific, consisting of no more than 60 lower division semester units and 60 upper division semester units (90 units at a quarter campus)
- ✓ Start at CSU with junior status
- ✓ Financial aid available through I Can Afford College and CSU



College of San Mateo







The Campaign's Key Target Audiences are Low to Middle Income:

- √ High school juniors and seniors
- ✓ Recent high school graduates (ages 18 to 24)
- ✓ Current community college students
- ✓ Influencers (parents, coaches, teachers, counselors, etc.)
- ✓ Special populations including veterans and foster youth



Merrit College







Baseline Awareness Study Results May 2017

- ✓ Half of Prospective Students and Parents Haven't Heard of the Associate Degree for Transfer Program
- ✓ Less Than Half of Those Aware of the Program Can Accurately Explain It
- ✓ Word of Mouth from Friends, Teachers and Counselors Drives Awareness







Baseline Awareness Study Results

- ✓ Two-thirds of Prospective Students and Three-Quarters of Parents Would Consider or Recommend the Program
- ✓ Affordability, Graduating in Four Years and Preparation are Key Drivers
- ✓ Affordability, Program Offering and Financial Aid are Most Important Decision-Making Factors





Campaign Messaging



✓ Associate Degree for Transfer provides the quickest, easiest and most cost effective pathway from a community college to a bachelor's degree





Marketing Campaign

- ✓ Launched in May 2017
 - Logo Refresh
 - Radio Ads
 - Digital/Online Ads
 - Out-of-Home
 - Paid & Organic Social Media
 - Student Success Videos
 - Updated Website
 - Statewide Community Outreach
 - Media Relations
 - Collateral & Promotional Materials



Mt. San Antonio College

- ✓ Coming Soon
 - Spanish-Language Radio & Digital Ads (February 2018)
 - Spanish-Language Website (February 2018)



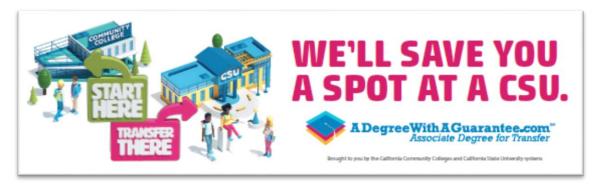




Paid Media











Student Success Videos

Videos Completed:

- ✓ Advantages
- ✓ Clear Path
- √ Financially Smart
- √ Fast Way
- √ Saved Spot
- ✓ UC Transfer







Website

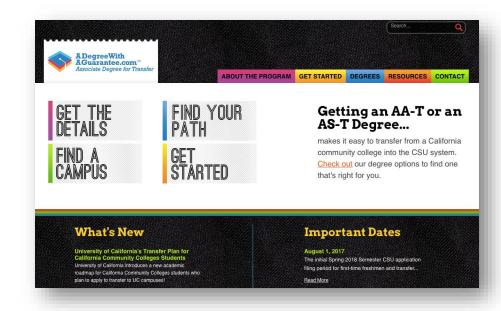
ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com

Call to action:

- ✓ Get directly connected to Colleges
- ✓ Direct Pathway to an
 Associate and Bachelor's Degree
- ✓ Transfer Process Details

New Site Coming 2018:

- ✓ Updated Look and Feel
- ✓ Mobile Friendly/Mobile First
- ✓ Spanish-language Full Mirrored Site
- ✓ Conducting Website Usability Testing
 - Ensure Site is User Friendly/Ease of Navigation
 - Important information is easy to find







About the Guarantee



ABOUT THE GUARANTEE

The Associate Degree for Transfer (AA-T or AS-T) is a special, new degree offered at California Community Colleges. To pursue this special degree rather than a traditional AA or AS degree, you should meet with a counselor to develop an education plan that puts you on the path toward the AA-T or AS-T degree.

The guarantee itself means that students who earn an AA-T or AS-T degree and meet the CSU minimum eligibility requirements are guaranteed admission to a CSU, but not necessarily to a particular campus or major. With the special degree, you may be given a GPA bump when applying to an impacted campus outside your local area or an impacted major that is deemed similar.

In addition, once at the CSU, if you are admitted and enrolled in a designated similar degree program you have the opportunity to complete your bachelor's degree with as little as 60 semester units or 90 quarter units of coursework. A counselor will help you determine which CSUs offer bachelor's degrees that correspond to your AA-T or AS-T degree. It is still important for you to apply to the schools that interest you and follow admissions deadlines to be considered.

- ✓ Clearly explain the guarantee
- ✓ Students are aware that they are not guaranteed to a specific campus or major, it will be based on the impaction status of the campus
 - ✓ In testing, this did not deter students from wanting to pursue this pathway







Transfer Process

THE TRANSFER PROCESS

The program makes it possible - you make it happen. The new joint transfer program guarantees that you can transfer from a community college to a CSU. If you start community college ready to take college-level courses, you can complete your associate and bachelor's degrees with only 120 total units of coursework.

Step 1:

Complete an Associate Degree for Transfer at a California Community College.

Students working toward an Associate in Arts for Transfer (AA-T) or an Associate in Science for Transfer (AS-T) degree must complete 60 semester units (or 90 quarter units) of required general education coursework and major-specific lower division coursework. To be as competitive as possible, keep your grades up in community college and make sure you meet the admissions requirements for the CSU campus and the major that interests you, and submit all application materials by the posted deadlines.

Step 2:

Arrange Your Transfer to a CSU.

With your AA-T or AS-T you are guaranteed admission into the California State University system, and may be given a GPA bump when applying to a similar degree program outside of your Icoal CSU area or to an impacted program or major Similar to your associate degree. An AA-T or AS-T degree guarantees admission to a CSU, but not necessarily to a particular campus or major.

Step 3:

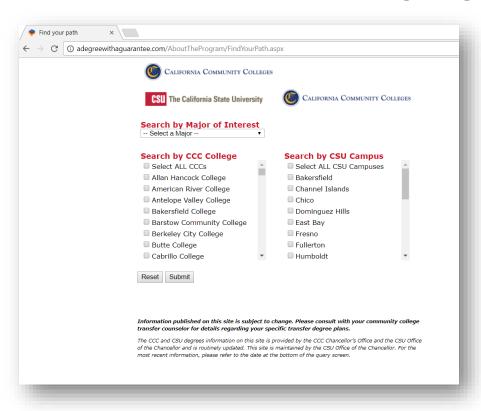
Complete your Bachelor's Degree at a CSU.

Transfer students enter the CSU system with junior standing. If you are admitted to a program deemed similar to your AA-T or AS-T, you will only need to complete 60 additional semester units (or 90 quarter units) to earn a bachelor's degree and will not be required to repeat courses that are similar to those completed at the community college as part of your associate degree. To stay on schedule, make sure you stay enrolled at your campus, pass all of your classes and follow your education plan.

- ✓ Step by step process
- ✓ Students develop the path to their dream future
- ✓ Information is also included throughout all of our collateral materials



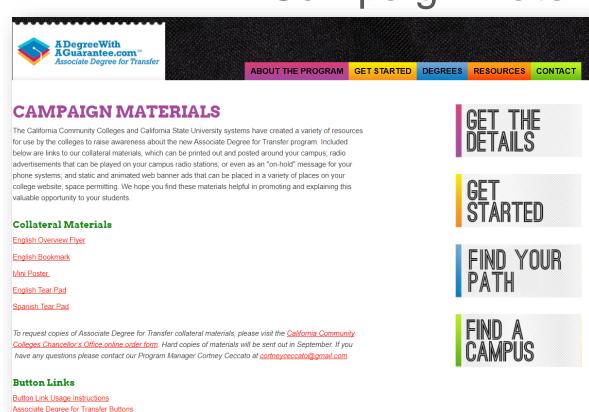
Find Your Path



- ✓ Select a major of interest
- ✓ Select all community colleges and CSU campuses to discover all of your available options or select certain schools
- ✓ Discover your pathways
- ✓ Make an appointment with your counselor to discuss next steps
- ✓ Please note, while admission to a CSU is guaranteed, not all students will receive their choice of a specific campus or program. Admission will depend on the course of study and the impaction status of the campus



Campaign Materials



- ✓ Resources tab, dropdown menu will appear, choose "Campaign Materials"
- ✓ Collateral Materials
- ✓ Website Buttons
- ✓ Logos
- ✓ Radio Ads
- ✓ Online Ads
- ✓ Out of Home Ads
- ✓ Social Media Images





Statewide Outreach

- ✓ High school events
- ✓ College fairs
- ✓ Community events
- ✓ Legislative
- ✓ Partnering with other statewide campaigns (I Can Afford College and Career Education)



Wango Tango







Partnership Opportunities

✓ Interested in hosting an event? Or would you like the Associate Degree for Transfer Program featured at your next college fair?

✓ Please reach out to our Program Manager Cortney Ceccato at cortneyceccato@gmail.com



Pony Express Days







Media Relations



- √ Targeted Media Outreach
- ✓ Outreach to reporters
- ✓ Template Release for H.S. newspapers
- ✓ Media/Message training

American River College







Campaign Resources

- ✓ E-toolkit (coming soon!)
- ✓ Social media
- ✓ Partnerships
- ✓ Collateral materials
- ✓ Workshop advertising
- ✓ Community outreach events



Berkeley City College







Collateral Materials

✓ Available items include:

- Brochure
- Poster
- Flyer
- Folders
- Bookmarks
- **Factsheet**
- Pens
- Stickers
- T-shirts



GET YOUR DREAM FUTURE FASTER.

Take a path to earn your bachelor's degree that saves time & money.

- · Apply to a community college at cccapply.com
- · Talk to a counselor about college and career options
- · Already enrolled? Visit a
- community college transfer center · Pick your pathway at
- ADegree With AGuarantee.com
- · Apply for financial aid at ican afford college.com

TRANSFER TO A CSU:

- · Complete the requirements
- · Apply to a CSU at calstate.edu/apply and transfer to your guaranteed spot at a CSU
- · Continue on the path to your bachelor's degree

GET A DEGREE

START YOUR DREAM FUTURE









Ordering Materials

- Step 1: Go to www.adegreewithaguarantee.com
- Step 2: On the top right tabs hover over "RESOURCES"
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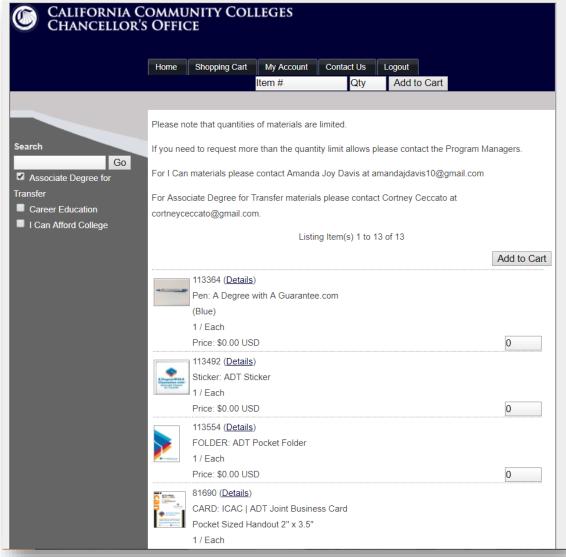
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- ✓ Materials FREE of charge
- ✓ Search by campaign
- ✓ Need more than the quantity limit please send requests to Program Managers



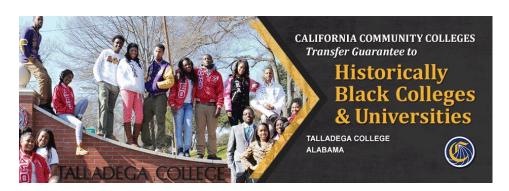






Other Transfer Pathways

- ✓ California Community Colleges Transfer Guarantee to Historically Black Colleges & Universities
 - ✓ Modeled after the Associate Degree for Transfer
- ✓ UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (TAG)
 - ✓ Follow the transfer admission planner











Guided Pathways

- ✓ Planning to foster student success
- ✓ Clarifying student pathways
 - ✓ The AssociateDegree for TransferProgram

Four Pillars of Guided Pathways

Clarify the Path



Create Clear Curricular Pathways to Employment and Further Education Enter the Path



Help Students Choose and Enter Their Pathway Stay on the Path



Help Students Stay on Their Path Ensure Learning



Follow
Through, and
Ensure that
Better Practices
are Providing
Improved
Student Results.







Program Statistics

✓ As of June 2017, there are 2,268 active ADTs offered at California community colleges

✓ There has been an increase of students graduating with an Associate Degree for Transfer:

- Of the 11,452 students who received AA-T/AS-T degrees in academic year 2013-14, approximately 63% have transferred to CSU before the end of the 2014-15 academic year
- In addition, 83% of students transferred to a 4-year institution within two years

✓ Four new majors have been added: Environmental Science; Hospitality Management; Law, Public Policy and Society; Social Work and Human Services*

*Will take up to a year to fully integrate these majors.

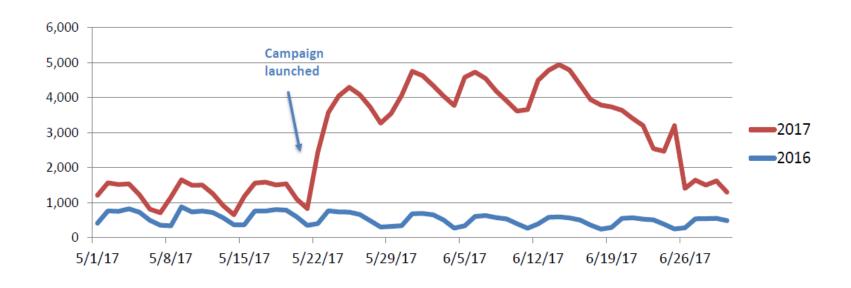






Quick View of Results

- ✓ Digital (through October 2017)
 - 260,604 clicks from May to October 2017
 - 225% Increase in Site Traffic Over 2016
 - 93,904,421 Total Impressions for 2017









Connect With Us!

- √ Campaign website
 - ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com
- ✓ Social Media
 - twitter.com/CalCommColleges
 - twitter.com/calstate
 - facebook.com/CACommColleges
 - facebook.com/calstate
 - instagram.com/californiacommunitycolleges
 - youtube.com/CACommunityColleges
 - youtube.com/csuco









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Thank you!







Campaign Overview

The "Associate Degree for Transfer", a program jointly sponsored by the California Community Colleges and California State University systems, is a specific transfer pathway that provides students with a guaranteed spot at a CSU campus. With more than 2,000 specific Associate Degrees for Transfer (Associate in Arts Transfer or AAT degree and Associate in Science Transfer or AS-T), the program provides students with options for transfer that save time and money.

In 2016, the campaign secured a total **of \$11 million in funding through 2020** to launch a statewide marketing campaign to garner awareness of the program using research-based marketing, collateral development, media relations, outreach and social media advertising. Since launching in May 2017, there have been more than **100,000 new visitors to ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com**, **the campaign's website**.

The program is aimed at educating current and prospective students, particularly in underserved communities. The primary target audiences are youth ages 16-24; adults ages 25-54 with an emphasis on Latino, African-American and API communities.

Valuable Resources

The heart of the campaign is the Associate Degree for Transfer website, <u>ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com</u> which provides current and prospective students with valuable information on the transfer pathway and encourages them to reach out to professionals at their local high school or college to receive free one-on-one assistance with planning their course pathway.

The key features of the **ADegreeWithAGuarantee.com** website include:

- General information on the transfer degree and step-by-step information on how to get started with the transfer process.
- An online tool developed to allow students to explore a variety of majors, finding out more about a program area of study, and potential careers associated with each major.
- Direct pathways to earning an associate and bachelor's degree through a list of all degrees by major offered at each California community college and California State University.
- Direct links to each California community college and California State University campus.
- For more information, see a high school counselor, community college counselor or representative from a California State University.

Campaign Materials

The "Associate Degree for Transfer" campaign is pleased to offer a variety of collateral and promotional materials free of charge. Items include brochures, factsheets, flyers, bookmarks, T-shirts and more. Quantities of materials are limited so please order only what you need.

To order materials, please visit: http://admailwestshops.directedje.com/CCC/product-listing.asp?CID=-2

If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Cortney Ceccato, Project Manager, at cortneyceccato@gmail.com, or (916) 813-8216 or the California Community Colleges Director of Communications, Paige Marlatt Dorr, at pdorr@cccco.edu, or (916) 327-5356.



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The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office is pleased to offer a variety of collateral and promotional materials free of charge for their statewide awareness campaigns on financial aid, transfer programs, and career education opportunities. Items include brochures, flyers, folders, T-shirts and more. Quantities of materials are limited so please order only what you need. Visit the "I Can Afford College" and/or "Associate Degree for Transfer" campaign websites today and place your order using the simple steps listed below!

Steps to Order Collateral Materials

Through the "I Can Afford College" website:

- Step 1: Go to www.icanaffordcollege.com
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